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IN THE SENATE

SENATE BILL NO. 1115

BY EDUCATION COMMITTEE

1	AN ACT
2	RELATING TO EDUCATION; AMENDING SECTION 33-5209A, IDAHO CODE, TO REMOVE
3	PROVISIONS REGARDING A PERFORMANCE FRAMEWORK; AND AMENDING SECTION
4	33-5213, IDAHO CODE, TO REVISE PROVISIONS REGARDING THE PUBLIC CHARTER
5	SCHOOL COMMISSION.

- Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Idaho:
- SECTION 1. That Section 33-5209A, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:
 - 33-5209A. ACCOUNTABILITY. (1) Performance framework. The performance provisions within the performance certificate shall be based upon a performance framework that clearly sets forth the academic and operational performance indicators, measures and metrics that will guide the authorized chartering entity's evaluations of each public charter school. The performance framework shall include indicators, measures and metrics for, at a minimum:
 - (a) Student academic proficiency;
 - (b) Student academic growth;
 - (c) College and career readiness (for high schools); and
 - (d) Board performance and stewardship, including compliance with all applicable laws, regulations and terms of the performance certificate.
 - (2) Measurable performance targets shall be set by each charter holder for each public charter school for which it holds a charter in conjunction with its authorized chartering entity and shall, at a minimum, require that each school meet applicable federal, state and authorized chartering entity goals for student achievement.
 - (3) The performance framework shall allow the inclusion of additional rigorous, valid and reliable indicators proposed by a charter holder to augment external evaluations of its performance, provided that the authorized chartering entity approves the quality and rigor of such proposed indicators, and that they are consistent with the purposes of this chapter.
 - (4) For each public charter school it oversees, the authorized chartering entity shall be responsible for analyzing and reporting all data from state assessments in accordance with the performance framework.
 - SECTION 2. That Section 33-5213, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:
 - 33-5213. PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOL COMMISSION. (1) There is hereby created an independent public charter school commission, referred to hereinafter as the commission, to be located in the office of under the state board of education, pursuant to section 33-1051, Idaho Code. The commission is hereby authorized to appoint a director who shall serve at the pleasure

of the commission and shall receive such salary as fixed by the commission. It shall be the responsibility and duty of the executive director of the state board of education, or his designee, acting at the direction of the commission to administer and enforce the provisions of this chapter, and the director or his designee shall serve as secretary to the commission. The director shall hire such staff as may be necessary to assist in carrying out the provisions of this chapter.

- (2) The public charter school commission shall adopt policies, subject to law, regarding the governance and administration of the commission and make recommendations to the state board of education regarding the oversight of public charter schools.
 - (3) The commission shall be composed of seven (7) members:

- (a) Three (3) members shall be appointed by the governor, subject to the advice and consent of the senate.
- (b) Two (2) members shall be appointed by the speaker of the house of representatives; and
- (c) Two (2) members shall be appointed by the president pro tempore of the senate.

Commissioner appointments made pursuant to this section prior to July 1, 20213, shall remain valid through the duration of the term to which each commissioner was appointed. To establish a transition to the appointing authority structure contained in this subsection, the first four (4) appointments available on or after July 1, 2013, shall be made in an alternating sequence for each appointment by the speaker of the house of representatives, the president pro tempore of the senate, and the governor. Notwithstanding this sequence of appointments, at no time may any appointing authority appoint more members of the commission than permitted under this subsection. Subsequent appointments shall be made by the same appointing authority that originally appointed the commissioner whose term expired.

- (4) The term of office for commission members shall be four (4) years. In making such appointments, the appointing authorities governor shall consider regional balance without reference to party affiliation. Members appointed to the commission shall collectively possess strong experience and expertise in public and nonprofit governance, management and finance, public school leadership, assessment, curriculum and instruction, and public education law. All members of the commission shall have demonstrated understanding of and commitment to charter schools as a strategy for strengthening public education. Members of the commission shall hold office until the expiration of the term to which the member was appointed and until a successor has been duly appointed, unless sooner removed for cause by the appointing authority governor. Whenever a vacancy occurs, the appointing authority governor shall appoint a qualified person to fill the vacancy for the unexpired portion of the term.
- (5) All members of the commission shall be citizens of the United States and residents of the state of Idaho for not less than two (2) years.
- (6) The members of the commission shall, at their first regular meeting following the effective date of this act, and every two (2) years thereafter, elect, by a majority vote of the members of the commission, a chairman chair and a vice-chairman vice chair. The chairman chair shall preside at meetings of the commission, and the vice-chairman vice chair shall preside at such

meetings in the absence of the <u>chairman chair</u>. A majority of the members of the commission shall constitute a quorum. The commission shall meet at such times and places as determined to be necessary and convenient, or at the call of the chair.

(7) Each member of the commission not otherwise compensated by public moneys shall be compensated as provided in section 59-509 (h), Idaho Code.